

## REMARKS

The Office Action has found claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 20-21, 28-31, 50, 62, 68-69, 73, 79, 91, 134-135, 156-158, 161 and 163-165 allowable. Claims 3, 6, 7, 9-19, 22-24, 26-27, 32, 49, 51-61, 63-67, 70-72, 74-78, 80-90, 96-111, 159-160 and 162 have been rejected. Claims 33-48, 136-155 and 166-188 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claim 98 has been amended incorporate the limitations of claims 96 and 97 and to correct the word "containers". These changes were directed by the Office Action. Claims 102 and 107 have been amended to change their dependencies so that they now depend from allowable claim 98.

**I. Allowability of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 20-21, 28-31, 50, 62, 68-69, 73, 79, 91, 134-135, 156-158, 161 and 163-165**

Applicants acknowledge the allowability of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 20-21, 28-31, 50, 62, 68-69, 73, 79, 91, 134-135, 156-158, 161 and 163-165.

**II. Rejection of claims 3, 6, 7, 9-19, 22-24, 26-27, 32, 49, 51-61, 63-67, 70-72, 74-78, 80-90, 96-111, 159-160 and 162 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph**

Claims 3, 6, 7, 9-19, 22-24, 26-27, 32, 49, 51-61, 63-67, 70-72, 74-78, 80-90, 96-133, 159-160 and 162 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter that Applicants regard as their invention. As discussed in the Response and Request for Consideration dated July 10, 2006, Applicants believe that this rejection is in error. However, in order to advance prosecution of this application, Applicants are cancelling claims 3, 6, 7, 9-19, 22-24, 26-27, 32, 49, 51-61, 63-67, 70-72, 74-78, 80-90, 96-97, 101, 103-106, 108-110, 115-120, 122-128, 159-160 and 162 herewith. Claims 98-99, 100, 102, 107, 111-114, 121 and 129 have not been cancelled for the reasons discussed below.

**III. Status of claim 25**

The disposition of claim 25 was not addressed in the Office Action. Applicants note that this claim was selected in the Response and Request for Reconsideration.

**IV. Rejection of claims 98-99 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph**

The Office Action has rejected claims 98-99 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. These claims have been amended to incorporate the limitations of the base

claims and any intervening claims (that is, claims 96 and 97) as suggested by the Office Action.

**V. Status of claim 100**

Claim 100 is stated in the Office Action as being rejected, as opposed to being withdrawn from consideration. Applicants note that claim 100 was not selected in the Response and Request for Reconsideration. Applicants respectfully seek clarification of the status of claim 100.

**VI. Rejection of claims 102 and 107 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph**

Claims 102 and 107 have been amended to depend from allowable claim 98.

Therefore, the rejection of these claims is moot.

**VII. Rejection of claims 111-114, 121 and 129 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph**

Claims 111-114, 121 and 129 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter that Applicants regard as their invention. The Office Action states that these claims would be allowable if rewritten to incorporate the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Applicants note that claim 111 is an independent claim and, as such, does not have a base claim. These claims were selected in the Response and Request for Reconsideration. Further, there are no prior art rejections presented for claims 111-114, 121 and 129, therefore, the rationale for the suggested amendments has not been presented to Applicants. Applicants therefore request that they be informed of the basis for this suggested rejection.

**VIII. Rejection of claim 96 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in view of U.S. Patent No. D501,364 to Tranfalia *et al.***

Claim 96 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in view of U.S. Patent No. D501,364 to Tranfalia *et al.* Claim 96 has been cancelled herewith, thus mooting this rejection.

**IX. Rejection of claims 102 and 107 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in view of U.S. Patent No. D501,364 to Tranfalia *et al.***

Claims 102 and 107 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in view of U.S. Patent No. D501,364 to Tranfalia *et al.* Claims 102 and 107 have been amended to

depend from claim 98, which has been stated as being allowable as presented herewith.  
Therefore, it is believed that the rejection has been mooted.

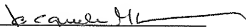
**CONCLUSION**

In view of the Amendment and Remarks made herein, it is respectfully stated that the application is in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully seek notification of same.

It is believed that no fee is required for this submission. If any fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 50-0674, accordingly.

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